

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:36 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, March 4, 2004. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2171.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2005 for the Department of Energy's Office of Science, Office of Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology, and Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, after receiving testimony from David Garman, Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Raymond L. Orbach, Director, Office of Science, and William D. Magwood, IV, Director, Office of Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology, all of the Department of Energy.

APPROPRIATIONS: DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2005 for the government of the District of Columbia, focusing on Court Services, Offender Supervision Agency, and the Public Defender Service, after receiving testimony from Paul A. Quander, Jr., Director, Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency for the District of Columbia; Ronald S. Sullivan, Jr., Director, Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia; and Rev. Donald Isaac, East of the River Clergy-Police-Community Partnership, Washington, D.C.

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2005 for the Department of the Army, after receiving testimony from R. Les Brownlee, Acting Secretary of the Army; and General Peter T. Schoomaker, Chief of Staff, Department of the Army.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities concluded a hearing to examine the role of defense science and technology in the global war on terrorism and in preparing for

emerging threats in review of the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2005, after receiving testimony from Dale G. Uhler, Acquisition Executive and Senior Procurement Executive, Special Operations Acquisition and Logistics Center, United States Special Operations Command; Brigadier General Thomas D. Waldhauser, USMC, Commanding General, Marine Corps Warfighting Laboratory, Vice Chief, Office of Naval Research; Brigadier General Charles A. Cartwright, USA, Deputy Commanding General for Systems of Systems Integration, United States Army Research, Development and Engineering Command; Ronald M. Sega, Director, Defense Research and Engineering; Thomas H. Killion, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Research and Technology, Chief Scientist; Rear Admiral Jay M. Cohen, USN, Chief of Naval Research; and James B. Engle, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Science, Technology and Engineering.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower concluded a hearing to examine future Navy and Marine Corps capabilities and requirements in review of the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2005 and the future years defense program, after receiving testimony from John J. Young, Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition; Vice Admiral John B. Nathman, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Warfare Requirements and Programs; Vice Admiral J. Cutler Dawson, Jr., USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Resources, Requirements and Assessments; Lieutenant General Robert Magnus, USMC, Deputy Commandant for Programs and Resources, Headquarters, United States Marine Corps; and Lieutenant General Edward Hanlon, Jr., USMC, Commanding General, Combat Development Command, United States Marine Corps.

2005: BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Committee met to mark up a proposed concurrent resolution setting forth the fiscal year 2005 budget for the Federal Government, but did not complete consideration thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

CLIMATE CHANGE

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the impact and consequences of climate change, focusing on its implications for society, effects of burning of fossil fuels (coal, oil, and natural gas), and climate variability and changes across the Arctic region, including issues relative to UV radiation, after receiving

testimony from Senator Lieberman; Marvin A. Geller, Stony Brook University Institute for Terrestrial and Planetary Atmospheres, Stonybrook, New York; Jerry Mahlman, National Center for Atmospheric Research, Boulder, Colorado; Robert W. Corell, Arctic Climate Impact Assessment, Lee Hannah, Climate Change Biology, and Lara Hansen, World Wildlife Fund Climate Change Program, all of Washington, D.C.

IMPACT OF ABORTION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science, Technology and Space concluded a hearing to examine the impact of abortion on women, after receiving testimony from Georgette Forney, National Organization of Episcopalians for Life (NOEL), Sewickley, Pennsylvania; Michaelene Jenkins, Life Resource Network, San Diego, California; Roselyn Smith-Withers, The Pavilion of God, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Clergy Advisory Committee of the Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice (RCRC); Elizabeth Shadigian, University of Michigan Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Ann Arbor; and Nada L. Stotland, Rush Medical College, Chicago, Illinois.

OUTFITTER POLICY ACT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests concluded a hearing to examine S. 1420, to establish terms and conditions for use of certain Federal land by outfitters and to facilitate public opportunities for the recreational use and enjoyment of such land, after receiving testimony from David Tenny, Deputy Under Secretary of Agriculture for Natural Resources and Environment; Jim Hughes, Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Todd Davidson, Oregon Tourism Commission, Salem, on behalf of the Western States Tourism Policy Council; David L. Brown, America Outdoors, Knoxville, Tennessee; and Dave Simon, Sierra Club, San Francisco, California.

EPA GRANTS MANAGEMENT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine grants management within the Environmental Protection Agency, focusing on a comprehensive system of management controls and initiatives to address grants management challenges, after receiving testimony from David J. O'Connor, Acting Assistant Administrator for the Office of Administration and Resources Management, and Melissa Heist, Assistant Inspector General for Audit, both of the Environmental Protection Agency; John B. Stephenson, Director, Natural Resources and the Environment,

General Accounting Office; and Steve Ellis, Taxpayers for Common Sense, Washington, D.C.

HEALTH INSURANCE CHALLENGES

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine health insurance challenges, focusing on insurance scams, and their effect on workers and their families, and business owners who wish to provide health benefits, after receiving testimony from Ann L. Combs, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Employee Benefits Security; Kathryn G. Allen, Director, Health Care—Medicaid and Private Health Insurance Issues, and Robert J. Cramer, Managing Director, Office of Special Investigations, both of the General Accounting Office; Fred Nepple, Wisconsin Office of the Commissioner of Insurance, Madison, on behalf of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners ERISA Working Group; and Jose Montemayor, Texas Department of Insurance, Austin; Mila Kofman, Georgetown University Health Policy Institute, Washington, D.C.; Marie Almond, Albemarle, North Carolina; and Joan Piantadosi, Deerfield Beach, Florida.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AGENCIES

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 2127, to build operational readiness in civilian agencies, focusing on post conflict stabilization and reconstruction requiring a broadly-based government response, including Federal efforts to fulfill ongoing objectives in Iraq and Afghanistan, after receiving testimony from James Dobbins, RAND International Security and Defense Policy Center, John J. Hamre, Center for Strategic and International Studies, and Hans Binnendijk, National Defense University, all of Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee met and approved the committee's views and estimates with respect to the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2005 for Indian programs.

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE AMERICAN INDIAN

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the status of the completion of the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of the American Indian, after receiving testimony from W. Richard West, Jr., Director, National Museum of the American Indian; and Jacqueline Johnson, National Congress of American Indians, of Washington, D.C.

JUDICIAL ACTIVISM VS. DEMOCRACY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Property Rights concluded a hearing to examine national implications of the Massachusetts Goodridge decision and the judicial invalidation of traditional marriage laws, after receiving testimony from Nebraska Attorney General Jon Bruning, Lincoln; Richard Richardson, St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church, Boston, Massachusetts, on behalf of the Black Ministerial Al-

liance of Greater Boston; Daniel de Leon, Sr., Templo Calvario, Santa Ana, California, on behalf of Asociacion Evangelica de Ministerios Nacionales (AMEN); Hilary Shelton, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and Chuck Muth, Citizen Outreach, both of Washington D.C.; R. Lea Brilmayer, Yale University School of Law, New Haven, Connecticut; and Maggie Gallagher, Institute for Marriage and Public Policy, New York, New York.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 3879–3889; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 550, were introduced. **Page H830**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H830–31**

Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Shaw to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H755**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Urging the introduction of a resolution calling upon the Government of the People's Republic of China to end its human rights violations in China: Debated on Tuesday, March 2, H. Res. 530, amended, urging the appropriate representative of the United States to the 60th session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights to introduce a resolution calling upon the Government of the People's Republic of China to end its human rights violations in China, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 402 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 34; **Page H787**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: resolution urging the appropriate representative of the United States to the 60th Session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights to introduce a resolution calling upon the Government of the People's Republic of China to end its human rights violations in China. **Page H787**

Charles 'Pete' Conrad Astronomy Awards Act: H.R. 912, amended, to authorize the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration to establish an awards program in honor of Charles "Pete" Conrad, astronaut and space scientist, for recognizing the discoveries made by amateur astronomers of asteroids with near-Earth orbit trajec-

tories, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 404 yeas to 1 nays, Roll No. 35; **Pages H757–59, H787–88**

Amending the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980: H.R. 3389, to amend the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980 to permit Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Awards to be made to nonprofit organizations, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 408 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 36; and **Pages H759–62, H788–89**

Copyright Royalty and Distribution Reform Act of 2003: H.R. 1417, amended, to amend title 17, United States Code, to replace copyright arbitration royalty panels with a Copyright Royalty Judge, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 406 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 37. **Pages H762–72, H789**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: to amend title 17, United States Code, to replace copyright arbitration royalty panels with Copyright Royalty Judges. **Page H789**

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House completed debate on the following measures to suspend the rules. Further proceedings were postponed until Thursday, March 4.

Honoring the men and women of the Drug Enforcement Administration on the occasion of its 30th Anniversary: H. Res. 412, honoring the men and women of the Drug Enforcement Administration on the occasion of its 30th Anniversary; and **Pages H772–78**

Supporting the goals of Japanese American, German American, and Italian American communities in recognizing a National Day of Remembrance: H. Res. 56, supporting the goals of the Japanese American, German American, and Italian American communities in recognizing a National Day of Remembrance to increase public awareness of the events surrounding the restriction, exclusion, and